

*(The following Q & A has been updated the afternoon of Monday, April 27.*

*It will continue to be updated as further information is learned)*

**Informative links about swine flu:**

<http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/mitigation.htm>

[http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/key\\_facts.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/key_facts.htm)

<http://www.cdc.gov/media/transcripts/2009/t090423.htm>

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/region8/default.shtm>

## **Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Comal ISD and Swine Flu**

**Q:** How many Comal ISD students or employees have been diagnosed with the swine flu?

**A:** None

**Q:** If no Comal ISD students or employees have been diagnosed with the swine flu, why is Memorial High, CISD's alternative high school, being shut down for at least a week beginning Tuesday, April, 28?

**A:** A confirmed case of swine flu was diagnosed in a Tri-County Adult Education Cooperative GED employee who lives in Guadalupe County. The GED program shares the building with Memorial High that is operated by the Central Texas Technology Center. The Texas Department of State Health Services and the Comal County Health Department are recommending the school closure.

**Q:** Why hasn't the entire district closed as a precautionary measure?

**A:** Currently, the Comal ISD is acting in accordance with the recommendations of the Texas Department of State Health Services and the Comal County Health Department. The school district will remain open unless the Department of State Health Services and Comal County Health Department recommend otherwise.

**Q:** Will my student be given an unexcused absence if I want to keep him or her at home?

**A:** If your child's campus is open, attendance will be taken. Whether the absence will be excused or unexcused will be determined at a later date.

**Q:** Will days missed by students at the closed campus need to be made up?

**A:** School districts statewide affected by the swine flu will work with the Texas Education Agency, which will ultimately decide if the days need to be made up or are forgiven.

**Q:** How will TAKS testing be affected?

**A:** The Texas Education Agency will decide when students missing TAKS testing will make up the exams.

**Q:** Will extra-curricular activities within the district be affected?

**A:** All extra-curricular activities are scheduled to proceed as planned.

**Q:** Will missed days affect graduating seniors?

**A:** The Texas Education Agency will decide when and if students need to make up days missed due to the swine flu. At this time all graduations are scheduled to occur as scheduled.